



Christine Tillman
Clergy nomination for General
Convention – Deacon

I have been an Episcopalian my whole life. The Diocese of Western Michigan has been my home. I was first a delegate to our local convention 37 years ago and have been active in the diocese ever since.

In May of 1986 I was one of the first Deacons to be ordained in this diocese to the permanent Diaconate. Some of my ministries over the years have included Christian education and Formation, the spirituality of aging as part of the National Church's Commission to the Aging, peace and justice issues, local hunger issues in Grand Rapids and Wyoming, two terms on the Commission of Ministry and a term on the Diocesan Pastoral Care Commission, and Spiritual Director of many Cursillo and Vocare weekends.

Currently, I serve on the Bishop's staff as Deacon to Children and Youth Ministries. In this capacity I serve as the Spiritual Director for our summer camp, attend mission trips, and always call our youth to participate in new ways in the church and to respond to the outreach needs of the people in the wider community. I am also the diocesan contact person for youth ministries and serve on the Province V Youth Ministries Network.